



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : Kaplan et al.
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Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 9, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Petition for Extension of Time and authorization to charge a deposit account to pay the petition fee are enclosed.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 35 of this paper.